



Inspection & Registration – Together At Last!

**Texas Lienholders
Program Overview**

October 2014

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Background

- **Consolidated Inspection and Registration System Study**
 - Required by Senate Bill 197, 82nd Legislative Session
 - Joint study by Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) and Department of Public Safety (DPS)
- **House Bill 2305, 83rd Legislative Session**
 - Establishes registration-based enforcement of inspection effective March 1, 2015

What happens on March 1, 2015?

- **Inspection stickers are no longer issued at Vehicle Inspection Stations**
- **Registration sticker is proof of registration *and* inspection**
- **Current, passing inspection required for registration**
- **State's portion of inspection fee, if any is due, collected at registration**
- **No change to vehicles required to complete inspection**
- **No change to inspection fee or registration fee**

Establishing a Single Expiration Date

Sync Up Year: March 1, 2015 – February 29, 2016

- Registration permitted if a current, passing vehicle inspection is on record (electronic or VIR) at the time of title application.

Example:

1. Vehicle receives a passing inspection in December 2014. The inspection expires in December 2015.
2. The customer's title and registration application is submitted to the county in May 2015. Registration can be issued because there is a current and passing inspection at the time of title application.
3. The 2016 registration sticker is issued to represent the vehicle's inspection *and* registration expiration date.

After the Sync Up Year

March 1, 2016 and thereafter*

- Vehicles which do not receive a commercial inspection: Registration permitted if a passing vehicle inspection occurs in the 90 days prior to the vehicle's registration sticker expires.
- Vehicles which do receive a commercial inspection: Registration permitted if a vehicle has a current, passing inspection at time of registration.
- Used vehicles sold by a dealer must have an inspection within 180 days of date of sale.
- No time frame requirement for new vehicles.

**84th Legislative session begins January 2015, so there could be changes to the program*

Importance of the “VIR”

Vehicle Inspection Report (VIR)

- Each vehicle will be issued a VIR by the inspection station at time of inspection
- VIR needed for manual verification of inspection
- Additional copies of VIRs may be obtained from any inspection station

Details beginning March 1, 2015

Rules for Year One (3/1/15 – 2/29/16)

- A current, passing inspection is required to register
- Inspection is verified only when registration is issued
- Registration sticker is proof of current, passing inspection

Title and Registration Applications

- Current, passing inspection required when customer's title application submitted
- State's portion of inspection fee due if inspection 3/1/15 or later and not previously paid
- Look up tool on TwoStepsOneSticker.com provides inspection information

Details beginning March 1, 2015

Multi-Year Registration (24 or 36 months)

- Eliminated option for issuance of 36 months of registration
- Only new passenger cars and light trucks sold by Texas dealers may receive 2 years/24 months of initial registration at time of title

Out of State Motorists

Groups Impacted

- Active Duty Military
- Full-time Students
- Seasonal Texans (RV'ers)
- Vehicles in TxIRP
- Elected Congressional Officials

Self-Certification

- Self-certify online, by mail or walk-in
- “Verify Inspection” remark to be placed on vehicle record.
- Vehicles that return to Texas with an expired inspection are required to obtain an inspection within three days of return to the state; this requirement will remain in place

Impact to TxDMV Systems

All TxDMV title and registration systems are impacted by Two Steps, One Sticker.

Training

Texas Dept. of Motor Vehicles

- County Tax-Assessor Collectors
- Dealers
- Subcontractors
- Other stakeholders: Government Agencies, Vehicle Leasing and Rental Companies, Lienholders

TxDMV Staff

- Regional Service Centers
- Consumer Relations
- RTS Service Desk
- MCD Help Desk

Department of Public Safety


- Vehicle Inspection Stations
- Law Enforcement

Public Outreach

- **Website** www.TwoStepsOneSticker.com
- **Web video**
- **Radio public service announcements**
- **Registration Renewal Insert**
- **Posters**
 - General campaign poster and inspection station poster
- **Brochures**
 - Dealer brochure and Motor Carrier brochure
- **Push Cards**
 - General campaign push card and “Misstep” push card
- **Bumper Stickers**

Posters

INSPECTION AND REGISTRATION — **TOGETHER AT LAST!**



IT'S AN ALL-NEW
**TEXAS
TWO STEP**

STARTING
**MARCH 1
2015**

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS


STEP ONE	STEP TWO
Pass a vehicle inspection and retain your vehicle inspection report.	Renew your annual registration by mail, online or in person, and your inspection status will be verified electronically. A passing inspection is required for registration.

You'll be issued one sticker as proof of inspection and registration.

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INSPECTION AND REGISTRATION ARE PARTNERING UP FOR
A NEW TEXAS TWO STEP



**KEEP YOUR
INSPECTION
REPORT HANDY**

STARTING MARCH 1, 2015

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS

STEP ONE	STEP TWO
Pass a vehicle inspection and retain the vehicle inspection report issued to you by the station.	Renew your annual registration by mail, online or in person, and your inspection status will be verified electronically. A passing inspection is required for registration.

If your vehicle passed inspection but the system is unable to electronically verify it, simply present your valid, passing vehicle inspection report (VIR) at the time of registration.


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KICK UP YOUR HEELS FOR THE NEW TEXAS TWO STEP

STEP ONE
Pass a vehicle inspection and retain the vehicle inspection report issued to you by the station.

STEP TWO
Renew your annual registration by mail, online or in person, and your inspection status will be verified electronically. A passing inspection is required for registration.




TWO STEP TIPS
Single Expiration Date: Transitioning to "Two Steps, One Sticker" requires every vehicle's inspection and registration dates to expire at the same time. In order to do this, during the first year you will be allowed to register your vehicle as long as your vehicle inspection is valid the day you register.

90 Days to Inspect: Beginning March 1, 2016, you will have a convenient 90 day window to complete the Two Steps. In order to register on time, you must have your vehicle inspected within 90 days before your sticker expires.

Inspection Verification: If your vehicle passed inspection but the system is unable to electronically verify it, simply present your valid, passing vehicle inspection report (VIR), and you will be able to register.

Inspection Fees: The inspection fees have not changed but where you pay them has. You will now pay the inspection station its portion of the fee at the time of inspection and the state's portion of the fee will now be collected at the time of registration.

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JUST DO THE NEW TEXAS TWO STEP

STEP ONE: Pass a vehicle inspection and retain the vehicle inspection report issued to you by the station.

STEP TWO: Renew your annual registration by mail, online or in person, and your inspection status will be verified electronically. A passing inspection is required for registration.

POSSIBLE MISSTEPS:
Inspection Not Valid: Transitioning to "Two Steps, One Sticker" requires every vehicle's inspection and registration dates to expire at the same time. In order to do this, during the first year you will be allowed to register your vehicle as long as your vehicle inspection is valid the day you register.

Inspection Out of 90 Days: Beginning March 1, 2016, you will have a convenient 90 day window to complete the Two Steps. Remember, your vehicle must pass an inspection in the 90 days before your sticker expires in order to register.

Inspection Could Not Be Verified: If your vehicle passed inspection but the system was unable to electronically verify it and you did not have your printed vehicle inspection report, simply return to the county with your passing vehicle inspection report and you will be able to register.

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Website Preview

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Knowledge Check

1) *Yes or No*

Title paperwork to record your lien is submitted to the county in July 2015. Inspection expires in August 2015. Registration will be issued as part of the title process. Can registration be issued and the title transaction processed?

2) *Yes or No*

Inspection expires in December 2014. Title paperwork to record your is lien submitted to the county in April 2015. Registration will be issued as part of the title process. Can registration be issued and the title transaction processed?

3) *Yes or No*

Title paperwork to record your lien is submitted to the county in June 2015. The registration does not need to be renewed as it is current until December 2015. Will inspection be verified before the title transaction is processed?

Questions?



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